DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

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JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI

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MEMORANDUM

TO: REGIONAL EXECUTIVE STAFF, CIRCUIT MANAGERS, AND

CHILDREN'S DIVISION STAFF

FROM: FREDERIC M. SIMMENS, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: PROFESSIONAL PARENTING MAINTENANCE PAYMENT FOR

RELATIVES CARING FOR BEHAVIORAL AND MEDICAL LEVEL

CHILDREN

SECTION 4 CHAPTER 11.A: STANDARD PAYMENT RATE FOR

FOSTER FAMILY ALTERNATIVE CARE

SECTION 4 CHAPTER 12.B: OPTIONS FOR ASSISTING

KINSHIPS

REFERENCE: CHILDREN'S DIVISION

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform staff that relatives are eligible for the \$100 incentive payment for medical and behavioral care if they meet the required qualifications. Staff are to pay the \$100 per month, per eligible child, effective with the date of this memo. These payments are **not** retroactive; staff will need to make these payments manually via a CS-65. At this time, Data Processing has no edits in the system; system changes are forthcoming.

NECESSARY ACTION:

- 1. Review this memorandum <u>Section 4 Chapter 11.A: Standard Payment Rate for Foster Family Alternative Care</u> and <u>Section 4 Chapter 12.B: Options for Assisting Kinships with all Children's Division staff.</u>
- 2. All comments and recommendations regarding this subject should be cleared through normal supervisory channels.

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